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To amend an Act passed in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled, "An Act for appropriating the Richmond Lunatic Asy-"lum in Dublin to the purposes of a District Lunatic "Asylum."

[Note.—The Words printed in *Italics* are proposed to be inserted in the Committee.]

Preamble:

1 & 2 G. 4. c. 33

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the first and second years of the reign of his late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled, "An Act to make more "effectual provision for the establishment of Asylums for the Lunatic "Poor, and for the Custody of Insane Persons charged with Offences "in Ireland," certain provisions were made for the erection and establishment of Lunatic Asylums in and for districts to be limited and appointed in manner and by the authority in the said Act mentioned:

11 G. 4. c. 22. converting Richmond Lunatic Asylum into District Lunatic Asylum.

And whereas by an Act passed in the eleventh year of the reign of his said late Majesty, intituled, "An Act for appropriating the Richmond "Lunatic Asylum in Dublin to the purposes of a District Lunatic Asy-"lum," it was among other things enacted, that a certain building commonly known by the name of the Richmond Lunatic Asylum, in the city of Dublin, theretofore established and used as an asylum or hospital for the reception and management of lunatic patients, should and might be and become, and the same has accordingly become, a Lunatic Asylum for the county of the city of Dublin, and for such other county or counties as from time to time, under the provisions of the said first recited Act of the first and second years of his late Majesty, constituted, together with the said city of Dublin, a district of a Lunatic Asylum; and it was by the said recited Act of the eleventh year of his late Majesty's reign further enacted, that an Act passed in the fifty-

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55 G. 3. c. 107. fifth year of the reign of his said late Majesty, intituled, " An Act to " regulate the appointment of Governors in the Richmond Lunatic " Asylum in Dublin," whereby certain provisions were made for the government of the said Asylum, and the Governors thereof incorporated, and the said building and the ground and soil thereto belonging vested in such Governors, should be, and the same was thereby repealed; and it was by the said recited Act of the eleventh year of his late Majesty further provided and enacted, that all rules, orders, regulations, rights, powers, authorities, privileges, liabilities, provisoes and enactments contained in the said recited Act of the first and second years of his late Majesty should and might from time to time, as occasion might require, be extended, applied, used and enforced to and in respect of the District so to be constituted as aforesaid, in like manner to all intents and purposes as in the case of any District Lunatic Asylum created and established by or subject to the provisions of the said recited Act of the Session of the first and second years of his said late Majesty:

Said Richmond Lunatic Asylum capable of accommodating more than is now lawful under 1 & 2 G. 4. c. 33.

And whereas the said Building known by the name of the Richmond Lunatic Asylum is capable of affording accommodation for a much larger number of Lunatic Poor than the number limited by the said last recited Act as the number which it is lawful under the provisions of such Act to maintain and take care of within any one Lunatic Asylum:

Expedient to remove such limitation.

And whereas it is expedient to remove the limitation whereby the utility of the said Building is curtailed, and the superior extent of its accommodations rendered unavailing; **Be it therefore Enacted**, by The KING's most Excellent MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, THAT from and after the *passing of this Act*, no enactment or provision contained in the said recited Act of the Session holden in the first and second years of his late Majesty, or in any other Act or Acts whereby the number of lunatic poor to be maintained and taken care of in a Lunatic Asylum is in any manner limited or restricted, shall extend or in any manner be construed to affect the said Richmond Lunatic Asylum, or the reception and accommodation of Lunatic Poor therein; and that notwithstanding any thing in the said last recited Act, or in any other Act or Acts to the contrary, it shall and may be lawful to receive, maintain and take care of within the said Richmond Lunatic Asylum, any number of Lunatic Poor whatsoever, for the reception and accommodation of whom the said asylum or building shall or may afford space and capacity; and that the care, maintenance, superintendance and expenditure which shall be or become requisite for or in respect of all such Lunatic Poor shall be defrayed, raised and provided for in all respects as the care, maintenance, superintendance and expenditure requisite for or in respect

After passing of this Act, Richmond Lunatic Asylum may receive as many Patients as it can accommodate, to be maintained as the other Lunatics heretofore; but this Act not to alter its Management, &c. in any other particular.

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respect of such limited number of Lunatic Poor as before the *passing of this Act* it was or may have been lawful to maintain and take care of in such Lunatic Asylum, might or ought to have been defrayed, raised and provided for; and that all rights, duties, obligations and liabilities
5 belonging to or vested in, or attaching or imposed upon any person or persons, body or bodies corporate or otherwise, for or in respect of the care and maintenance of such limited number of Lunatic Poor, shall extend to, and the same are hereby enacted and declared to be in like manner lawful valid and effectual as respects the care and maintenance
10 of the whole number of Lunatic Poor received or to be received in the said Richmond Lunatic Asylum: Provided always, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend in anywise to alter or affect the laws now in force for the regulation and maintenance of the said Richmond Lunatic Asylum, other than as respects the said limitation of the number of the Lunatic Poor taken care of and maintained therein.

And be it Enacted, That this Act, or any of the provisions thereof, may be amended, altered or repealed by any Act or Acts to be passed in this present Session of Parliament.

Act may be amended, &c. this Session.

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